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TODAY.

There is opportunity to do good to some one today. There is a battle going on today in which we shall be victors or vanquished. Today the hand of God is open to pour out blessing on each of us. Today the Kingdom of God will make some progress within each of us if we are true to ourselves and our Lord. Today we shall take a long step toward our eternal home. Today something shall be built into our character; shall it be good or bad? We may make some decision today which will determine our destiny. Today the voice of the Lord is sounding within us. Shall we hear, or shall we forbear? "Today if ye will hear his voice harden not your hearts."—Ex.

A SONG OF TRUST.

Help me, dear Lord, to trust,
Nor ask my way to see;
But simply put my hand in thine
And closely follow thee.

Though cares are pressing hard,
And sorrow be my guest,
Still, Saviour, help me to believe
Whatever is, is best.

So may each passing day
In loving deeds be spent,
Strong in the faith that God is God,
And, as his child, content.

—Anna M. Wheeler.

ORGAN OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

EDITORIAL.

TEMPTED.

(For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succor them that are tempted. Heb. 2: 18. Golden text for Sunday, February 25).

Some profess to believe that there is no devil. Jesus the Christ was not of that class. He believed in a devil. And He had a right to. He saw him; had much dealing with him, first and last. Jesus came face to face with the devil on several occasions, talked with him, reasoned with him, opposed him, rebuked him.

If Jesus could not, and did not, escape the temptation of the devil, if He could not and did not evade the wicked one, it is hardly reasonable to suppose that you and I will. We, all of us, sooner or later, have to contend with the devil. There is an evil spirit desperately bent upon our ruin and undoing. He digs pitfalls for us. He plans to ensnare us. He is very busy endeavoring to compass our destruction. He alone is wise who takes warning of this evil spirit and through grace, provides himself against his destructive wiles.

Here is provision. Christ met the devil and conquered. He was tempted like as we are. He knows how to sympathize and to help. His arms are long enough and His heart willing enough.

Having been tempted and having resisted He is able to succor them that are tempted. When you suffer, do not think your suffering is a secret and that no one knows or cares. Jesus knows and cares. And more than that. He has suffered far more than you have or will or can, and He knows how to sympathize with you.

When you are tempted, think you not that you are alone or unwatched and are without a friend. Jesus was tempted and He knows every temptation you have, and can help you, and will help you if you want Him.

Jesus was baptized according to John's baptism, that is, baptism unto repentance. Jesus had no sin and so needed not to repent, but He came not to ignore the law: He came to observe and fulfill the law—to fulfill all righteousness. He gave His sanction to the great message John was preaching, and to the great work John was doing. He had no sins to be saved from, but He was in the world to save men from their sins by fulfilling all righteousness and by conquering every foe of man. In short, the Son of God came to be the son of man in order that the sons of men might become the sons of God. He went to the depths in order that we might not go so deep.

What sent the blessed One to be tempted, tried, troubled? His love for us. He wanted to create in our hearts a feeling that He was our elder Brother, that He was and is close by, and that He will not forsake. His love is too great, His aim is too strong, for anyone to be swept away, by any sort of temptation, if only that one will trust Him.

This incident is related of a faithful minister who was dying. Some one tried to comfort him by saying that he had been very tender and kind and good to the members of his flock and used the expression: "Lord, thou knowest how he loved thee." The good man said, "Ah, do not pray thus." When Mary and Martha sent to Jesus their message was not 'Lord, he who loveth thee,' but 'Lord, he whom thou lovest is sick.' It is not my imperfect love to Him which comforts me, but His perfect love to me." Jesus' perfect love for us led Him to be tempted and to suffer, that He might save us when tempted and succor us when we suffer. Christ goes all the way with us, and is able to save us in any time of trial, temptation, trouble or danger.

A NEW DEPARTMENT.

There appears in The Sun this week a new Department which we believe will be greeted with delight wherever the paper is received and read. We refer to the Woman's Department of Home and Foreign Missions under direction and editorial management of that good woman, ready scholar, consecrated worker and fluent write, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Franklin, Virginia. Mrs. Rowland is Chairman of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Southern Christian Convention and also Chairman of the Woman's Board of her Conference, the Eastern Virginia. This means that our women are in the future to take more interest in missions and that our churches are to have Woman's Missionary Societies and that we are to be better informed on the topic of missions and that we are to do more for missions. The Department referred to will, we are sure, be read each week with eager interest and will do untold good in promoting the mission cause.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We do not comprehend the report, appearing in last week's Herald of Gospel Liberty, of the Financial Condition of our Foreign Mission Board, further than to fathom the fact that the Board is in debt and needs funds. There seems to be a total indebtedness of $7,233.60, of which amount $2,000 is for money borrowed from outside parties, and the remainder, $5,233.00, is due also, and seems not to be in hand. A committee appointed to examine the report says the deficit is due to two causes: 1. The change in the policy of the administration of the mission work inaugurated by the Huntington Convention.

2. The change of the Porto Rican work from the home to the foreign fields.

These explanations do not seem to us to explain much, but we presume they do to those who are more familiar with the conditions than we are. So charge that up to our ignorance and stupidity and bear in mind that our Mission Board needs funds and needs them sorely. We are doing all too little in the foreign field now. Our missionaries are few in number and are all too poorly paid. We, therefore, cannot afford to let the work suffer, nor take any backward step. We need to send out other missionaries, not call in any who are out, and we need to have a treasury filled with needed funds, not one depleted and even much in debt.

Brethren, and sisters, good friends, and all, we of the Christian churches may as well face the fact now as ever that if we are going to grow and to go forward we have go to do more for missions. That is plain. That is evident everywhere. And we lose both opportunity and privilege by delay.

—Miss Margaret Brickhouse, a member of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Board of the Eastern Virginia Conference, has already organized four Woman's Missionary Societies in as many local churches. This is good news indeed. We now have constitutions and directions for organizing Societies and any pastor or good sister wanting to organize a Woman's Missionary Society in their local church can get copies of the Constitution and other information by addressing their request to The Christian Sun, Elon College, N. C. The literature is for free distribution.

—Rev. A. B. Kendall used as his morning topic at the Burlington church last Sunday, "Why the different names for God in the Bible?" At night the topic was "The Young Man and His Amusements."

—Rev. J. M. Roberts, Windsor, Va., supplied at Berkley, Va., church last Sunday for the pastor, Rev. M. L. Bryant, who we are pleased to hear is improving in health at Asheville, N. C. ..

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Friends of the People.

Have the saloon keepers ever shown themselves to be the friends of society, of homes, of individuals? Is their work such as would tend to build up society, help the manhood and womanhood thereof to a better state of morals? Is theirs a business that helps society in any particular? We have never yet found those who claim that liquor dealers were in the business to help build up any sort of good institution, except it be the liquor dealers (or the topers) themselves.

And yet every time anything is said about closing up saloons liquor dealers rush in to prevent it and try to make believe society will be worse off without saloons than it will be with saloons.

In Virginia they are talking State-wide prohibition. What results? This was given in the dispatches of February 14 from Richmond to the dailies:

"Richmond, Va.., Feb. 14.—Never in the history of legislation has there been a stronger, better organized, better equipped or better paid lobby than the liquor interests now support in Richmond. All the persuasive power of personal and political friendship is being urged. The threatened liquor interests fearing that the people of Virginia may have opportunity to dictate their own policy are sparing no effort or influence to keep the senators, whom they claim, properly lined up for this measure."

Now, if the liquor dealers really believe more liquor is sold and consumed under prohibition laws than without, will some one reason out why it is these same liquor dealers are maintaining in Richmond the best equipped, best organized, best paid lobby in the history of legislation, to prevent the legislature from passing a bill that would close up the saloons of the State? And we begin to wonder how much longer the good people of Virginia are going to let the saloon keepers and liquor dealers, by and through paid lobbyists dictate for them their laws as touching this matter of the sale of liquor. If liquor is to be sold why should not the sane, sober, sound business sense of the State say how it should be sold, and not leave that matter in the hands of saloon keepers and whiskey dealers who organizes and maintain a well equipped lobby for this very purpose right under the noses of the people who have been sent to Richmond to make laws for that good State. One of these days, Virginia will tire of the dictatorial, imperial conduct of the liquor dealers and will speak out from its own great moral manhood and conscience. That day draweth nigh and can come none too soon.

A Gentleman.

It doesn't make any different where you find a gentleman, he is a gentleman still. And it is very agreeable and quite comfortable to be in his company too. Comes now The Charlotte Chronicle, writing in a happy vein, about Capt. Geo. W. Waite, station master at Salisbury as "a country gentleman of polished manners." The Chronicle goes on to say that Capt. Waite is a model station master and that there is not "a dirty nook or corner about his depot or yard, and his bulletin board is famed for its accuracy and neatness." We had lost sight of him, but here is wagering that this is the same delightful, congenial, courteous, Christian gentleman, the Capt. Waite, who for years pulled the bell cord over the old Atlantic and Danville Railroad between Norfolk and Danville, and made every body feel comfortable and happy, when he was on duty, even over that tiresome, jolting slow journey from the Elizabeth to the Dan. It sounds like him, for his kind are rare in this world of wrong and woe. Yes, sir, Colonel, if this is the Capt. Waite of A. & D. fame, you have judged aright as each men and woman, boy and girl can testify who traveled on any of his trains.

A gentleman does not have to advertise himself. He does not have to put up sign boards and fling out flyers to let you know him and his whereabouts. You just know him and feel him when in his presence. He adorns whatever he has to do with, and honors and exalts whatever position he accepts. It matters not whether he keeps a depot, runs a train, presides over a college, governs an empire, or operates a farm. Your true gentleman impresses his character on whatever is about him and lifts it up toward the sunshine and toward heaven. Count on your gentleman, for he exalts the earth and makes all filth and dirt and mockery and meanness seem inconvenient, out of place and to be despised.

And while on this subject of a gentleman's keeping a model depot we respectfully call The Chronicle's attention to the veteran Capt. Wrenn, for years on the line between Durham and Henderson with the Seaboard, but now the courtly and courteous keeper of the Durham depot. He belongs in a class with Capt Waite, and in the company of the finest and most kindly and courtly gentlemen you will find anywhere. Such gentlemen give us more faith in our human kind and make us feel better and take fresh courage in our own conduct and dealings.

—We take the following from The Greensboro Daily News of February 10:

"Rev. S. B. Klapp, who lives at 1204 NorthDairy Street, last Saturday suffered a very severe loss when two large dwellings at Virgilina were devoured by flames, and his many friends here and in the state will deeply sympathize with him in the severe destruction of his property.

A very regrettable feature to Mr. Klapp connected with the fire is the fact that a short while before hand a three years' insurance policy on the property had expired, Mr. Klapp stating that the local insurance agent, on account of ill health, had not notified him of the expiration of the policy. That he did not have protection will cause the loss to range from $3,000 to $5,000.

Mr. Klapp has been a resident of Greensboro for the past five years, and for the past twenty-five years he has been engaged actively in the ministry, his entire life, in fact, being spent in ministerial work. He feels his loss very keenly, because it was a loss that carried away the greater part of his savings during his life. He expresses himself as greatly encouraged by the relief extended by friends in this a real distress and with the encouragement already given, feels that his friends will aid him in bearing the great burden that has been thrust upon him suddenly."

This is the second severe loss by fire that Brother Klapp has sustained within the last four years and his many friends will read of his misfortune with regret. Brother Klapp is a man of abundant labors and sacrifices and if friends feel like helping him share this recent loss we are sure it will be greatly appreciated.

—From the Raleigh News and Observer, February 17:

"Hillsboro Street Christian church is soon to begin a series of meetings and the date is February 25th. Rev. Charles H. Rowland, of Franklin, Va., has been selected as the man who will conduct the services and in all probability these will continue for ten or more days.

Rev. Mr. Rowland is a member of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference and has been pastor of the Franklin church for twelve years. He is a graduate of Elon College and is not an entire stranger in Raleigh."

—Candidates for the presidency are getting busy and all sorts of political manipulations are going on. Several prospectives have opened vigorous campaigns and the mails are getting heavy with literature in behalf of favorites.

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

It is only seventy-four days till the Convention will meet at Elon College in its nineteenth regular session.

The Presidents of all the seven conferences have been requested to send to Rev. I. W. Johnson, Secretary, Suffolk, Va., a list of Delegates and alternates, with their post-office addresses, signed by the President and Secretary of the Conferences, in compliance with a Resolution passed by the 1910 Convention and recorded on page 28, Annual 1911.

All chairmen of Boards and Committees have been notified to prepare such matter as they wish to appear in the Program and send to me as chairman of the Program Committee; and this is to request all persons who have suggestions which they think would improve the Program to send suggestions to me before the 15th of March. The Program Committee desires to meet the wishes of the entire body and prepare the best Program possible for Convention use.

Elon College is central in location, the Orphanage is there, many young people of the Church are in school, and there should be a large delegation in attendance. The heads of Boards and Committees are capable of preparing good reports and appointing good speakers on live and appropriate topics; and the Convention ought to shine with wisdom and glow with spirituality. It should be a great intellectual and spiritual feast and result in great practical activities. The laymen are taking more business interest in the church enterprises, and the ministers are striving after more of the spirit and life of religion. Conventions cease to be debating societies and grow more into business and devotional meetings.

Delegates and alternates should arrange to have each conference fully represented on time and all the time. If we cannot greatly increase the quantity of our work, we ought, at least, to improve the quality of our work. In fact, progress is often made by improving quality without increasing quantity. Agriculture is making progress by wiser tillage of fewer acres. The states are doing the same in building roads: not more highways, but better ones; that should be the first step in our church life. In fact, improvement in the character of church members and more efficient work in pulpit and pew would finally increase the numbers and liberality of the church. The prayer of the whole constituency should be for a full attendance, an outpouring of the Spirit, a wise consideration of church interests, and a faith that works by love. In this session the audience, the community, the spirit of the meeting will all be sympathetic and anxious for success. Nothing can prevent a great meeting so much as absence on the part of delegates; and nothing can inspire the meeting more than their presence.

W. W. Staley.

A PERSONAL WORD.

Hillside Cottage, Asheville, N. C., Feb. 14, 1912.

Dear Dr. Atkinson:

So many friends have written, sending me messages of sympathy and good cheer that I want to reply to them all through the columns of The Sun. I am improving slowly now. Am able to be up and in my chair on the porch most of the time. Hope I may be able to write personal notes to some of my friends soon. I want to expresse my appreciation to the brethren of our own and other denominations who have so kindly filled my regular appointments, only one service having been omitted during my absence. The work at Berkley is dear to me and I long to be back in my old place with the good people who are so loyally standing by me.

Since writing to The Sun I have been compelled to stay in bed two weeks, during which time the services of a nurse were necessary. I had a trained nurse for a week, then Mrs. Bryant came to take her place. She will stay with me now, having secured a position in one of the Asheville schools. I am thankful that so many of the brethren are praying for my recovery to health and strength, and am longing that these prayers may be answered.

Sincerely, M. L. Bryant.

RALEIGH BUILDING FUND.

Dear Friends:

Our Raleigh congregation and its auxiliary societies are making a special effort to secure a fund sufficient to remodel the old church and erect modern Sunday school rooms. It will take several thousand dollars to accomplish this task. The local church is not able to meet all of the expenses; therefore, the public is called on to contribute to this worthy cause. We want you to have some part in it. We herewith grant you the privilege to contribute as you may feel directed. Receiving officers are L. F. Johnson, pastor, Chas. H. Stephenson, superintendent, J. T. Holt, secretary, F. J. Pearce, Treasurer. Send us your subscription now and send your check later if it is more convenient.

The Subscription List—

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M. C. Thompson	1.00
Christian Endeavor	2.00
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Total to Feb. 8th,	$4,567.69

HARVARD LETTER.

Some time ago the Editor of **The Sun** in commenting upon southern hospitality spoke of a personal experience during his stay at Harvard. While here he went out to preach, remaining over night in the home of one of the church members, and upon leaving this home was charged for the lodging and board.

My experience has not been so bad as that, but I want to emphasize the meaning of Dr. Atkinson's experience. While I have been in several homes as hospitable as they are in the sunny South and while I find that the northern people in general are as courteous and hospitable as they are anywhere, still when you come to anything touching religion there is a difference between this section and ours. Yet when I speak of religion there are exceptions to be borne in mind. I have been to all the churches, and to some one church several times and have been interested in studying the religion of these people. I was at a Baptist church the other evening and heard a real, practical sermon: they were having a revival and they sang the songs I hear at home—the songs that never lose their sweetness and good cheer. Over at the Methodist church, too, I have heard home-like talks and familiar hymns. Now these are the exceptions. We must remember that about one half of the church going population of Boston is Catholic, if not more than that. In Cambridge there is a larger percent. of Protestant churches; these are Episcopalians, Unitarians, Congregationalists, Methodist, Baptist, and so on. Let it be understood that this letter is not a criticism of church doctrines, but simply a stranger's idea of religion in two great cities.

The people are open-faced, honest, and reserved. They are life-long friends

when they become your friend. They live under different customs from those under which we live; and custom sometimes makes a thing right or wrong. They are not scrupulous about little things such as dancing, playing cards, going to theaters, and studying on Sundays. They believe in character and are cold and intellectual.

You hear able sermons but nobody is moved: they are like class-room dissertations that are without any practical reference to life and its duties. They have Sunday schools. In these Harvard graduates or law students teach. The teachers get from $2.50 to $4.00 to teach a small class for about thirty minutes. The superintendent gets much more. The people paying these bills of course are not there. Such is the religion of most of Boston and Cambridge, and I guess it represents most of the large cities. The "Good Samaritan" doesn't stop and care for the robbed and lamed traveler; that is, he doesn't today; but he goes home and sends his automobile after the one by the wayside. Is it religion or a kind of business; Christianity or a kind of business-like philanthropy?

Religion is inborn; it is a part of man's nature: and just as the arm will shrivel up if not used, so will the religious nature. It needs healthy exercise. Religion here is placed upon a business basis. And religion has never nor will ever thrive upon such a basis Religion and business are two things as far apart in themselves as the east is from the west. It is emotional and has its basis on the highest sentiments of the human heart. I object to sentimentalism, the creating and nourishing of feelings for the mere feelings' sake. It is a sin against the mind and body to even nurse griefs until there is a pleasure in them. But if one objects to emotion in religion he objects to the strongest tie that exists between man and man, which is friendship; to the strongest tie between man and woman, which is love; to patriotism and the home; and he would condemn the whole ministry of Christ. The recently made Cardinal, O'Connell of Boston, wears a robe costing $25,0000, and Jesus had not a place to lay his head. Times may change things. It may not be popular with some to preach stirring sermons, but it's the old way that touches people still. I hope we may keep to the ways of the Teacher of teachers. This is the difference.

Business can be and should be used everywhere. Really we southern people could do much more in the purely business world if we were as business-like as the northern man. You can't drop into a man's office up here and sit on him for two hours. But real business of any kind should have Christianity in it.

But religon ceases to be rellgion when you take the heart from it and put it upon a routine plan. If revivals are not right; if it is not good to move a man to tears: then death is a curse, for when it looks a man in the face, as it must at some time, it moves him. We can use our intellect in business; but I believe the innate feelings, the religious heritage, is, like a woman's intuition, the safest and surest guide. Here are a people honest, intellectual, and believing in character The question is, can a man be saved by character? Do they come up like the young nobleman, lacking in one most important thing?

Do what you will there is no discounting the emotional, the heart-felt religion. Everything else fails a man but the communion of his spirit with that of a higher Being. Nothing has been wrought in all these years to take the place of the old time religion. Elaborate rituals; fancy singing; clock-work services; everything printed from the prayer to the benediction: all this may appeal to the head, but it doesn't cheer you and lift you up.

Alonzo C. Hall,
Harvard University.

ELON COLLEGE LETTER—AN APPEAL FOR THE WINCHESTER CHURCH.

To The Entire Brotherhood.

During the campaign for the Special Fund, in the month of December last, I found myself in the city of Winchester, Virginia, and in the hospitable home of my good brother, Rev. W. T. Walters. Brother Walters and I had been students in Elon together and I knew the worth and energy of the man, but I was not quite prepared for what I saw of his achievements in the Valley.

The Winchester Christian Church, which must ever stand as a monument to the energy and faith of its pastor, is one of the nicest city churches in our Southern Church and reflects honor on our people. It is in the best section of the city, is not crowded for space, is well arranged, lighted by electricity, heated by hot water, has arrangements for junior and senior choirs, baptistry, pipe organ, separate Sunday school assembly and class rooms, and is well seated and furnished. The interior is delightful and pleasing in aspect and is architecturally far superior to the exterior. I have known a great many churches that, for sake of beautiful and impressive effect architecturally on the exterior, have greatly marred the convenience of the interior and also its usefulness. I know a fine auditorium that cannot be used for its intended purpose because of defective acoustics, the defects being due to desire for fine architecural effect on the exterior. The acoustics of the Winchester church are perfect and the interior impressive, and these two excellencies ought to overcome any simplicity of architecture in the exterior appearance of the edifice, for it is the worshipper within, and not the chance passer-by, who should get the most inspiration from a church both from the acts of worship and service and from the architectural appearance.

The church, as it now stands, cost about $15.000 or $20,000 and is well worth the larger figure. A heavy debt rests upon it and with that obligation the devout pastor is heroically struggling. The membership is small, but real gold. The Valley people of all congregations are rallying to Brother Walters and giving of their means most liberally to put the new organization on its feet. But naturally the growth must be slow until the debt is paid. As soon as it is paid, I expect to see the members begin to flock in. It will take several years at the present rate, and these will be precious years for growth and internal development. Can we afford to lose them?

I wish our entire Brotherhood, South, could go to Winchester, take in the situation, find out for themselves the high respect in which Brother Walters and his good wife are held by all denominations, realize the necessity of having the church debt-free as soon as possible, and then do what is laid on each heart individually to do in that direction. It is an opportunity for real service to the cause, at a critical time, at a time when help will count enormously in the prestige and influence of our people in that interesting, thriving capital city of the Northern Valley of the Old Dominion.

I learned also of the sacrifice that Brother Walters is making in a personal way to remain at his present post. Last year he was forced to make provision for living expenses beyond his income, and he did not make this provision by secular work. This means that he incurred an obligation yet to be attended to, in order to serve our cause there on the firing line. This year the appropriations from the Mission Boards of the A. C. C. the S. C. C., and of the Eastern Virginia Conference Missionary Association were all reduced, making the income in sight for his support still less commensurate with his needs. I was with him when he received notice of the third reduction. He was visibly affected, but determined to fight it out somehow at his post. Can the Christian Church afford to let him fight it out alone?

W. A. Harper.

NOTES AND PERSONALS.

—If you will renew today you will not have to do so tomorrow, and in fact, tomorrow you may be numbered with yesterday's seven thousand years.

As to whether they will like prohibition or not out in Kansas may be judged from this appearing in the Kansas City Star: "A campaign to close the public schools would be almost as popular in Kansas as one to re-open saloons."

—The editor had the privilege of occupying as supply for Rev. J. Lee Johnson, at Wake Chapel last Sunday. The Sunday school at this place has been reorganized with Bro. A. F. Smith as Superintendent and there is promise of success. Bro. Johnson is universally loved as pastor and his efficient, consecrated services are greatly appreciated by his large congregations.

—Some of the papers are saying that Rev. Len G. Broughton has been called to Christ Baptist Church, London. This is an error. The church to which Dr. Broughton goes in the English Metropolis is not a Baptist church, has never been and never claimed to be. It is an independent body without denominational restraint and Dr. Broughton will have a free hand. We get this information straight.—Charity and Children.

—Mrs. Helen Baker, heiress to millions and devoted to benevolence and philanthropy, is reported as declaring, "If ninety per cent. of the children of the world were reared with the same care as puppies and horses, the children would be better off and the betterment of future generations would be assured. Are there parents who really care more for the rearing of puppies and horses than for children? What a comment!

—How often does your pastor, how often do you in your private devotion, pray for Foreign Missions? We believe with Rev. Dr. Tyree that

"There always has been and always must be a vital connection between prayer and Foreign Missions. If our people cease to believe in the efficacy of prayer to promote the work, and cease to depend upon prayer, I believe real interest in Foreign Missions must inevitably decline and contributions will steadily grow smaller every year."

—Governor Kitchen formerly opened his campaign for the U. S. Senate last Friday evening in a lengthy address dealing principally with Senator Simmon's record of the past four years. Which being interpreted means that we are to have some politics in this good State every day from now till next November. The other two candidates for the high position are Chief Justice Clark of the Supreme Court and ex-Governor Aycock. All four are men of character, ability, and equipment.

—The venerable and versatile Henry Watterson of the Courier-Journal, called America's greatest editor, goes wrong on some lines. All great men do. But his wide learning and broad experience carry him right on his estimate of the pulpit in these words:

"I would have all ministers of religion as free to discuss the things of this world as the statesmen and the journalists, but with this difference: that the objective point with them should be the regeneration of man through the grace of God, and not the winning of office or the exploitation of parties and newspapers. Journalism is yet too unripe to more than guess at truth from a single side. The statesman stands mainly for political organization. The pulpit remains, therefore, still the moral hope of mankind."

—Time changes. So do opinions. So do prejudices. A few years ago for a minister to change from one denomination to another was to call down the fire and wrath of an offended church. Yet when a much esteemed brother left the Presbyterian ministry to enter the Baptist ministry the other day the Presbyterian Standard had only this to say, in all kindness:

"We notice that this dear brother (Rev. R. W. Alexander) was recently baptized by immersion and received into the First Baptist Church, Raleigh, N. C. He might have done something worse. We have known some Presbyterian preachers to do worse things. The Baptists are a good people, and they will doubtless deal kindly with the erring one and do what they can to keep him from wandering into more serious departures from the truth."

—This is business: "Please send me a copy each of Western Women in Eastern Lands and The Desisive Hour of Christian Missions, by John R. Mott. We have organized a Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society and we want to decide as to what book we will study.—W. D. Harward, Newport News, Va." The books were sent and Brother Harward's Society will make no mistake in choosing either one of these books, though "Western Women In Eastern Lands," by Montgomery should, we think, be studied first. They are both really great books, and only 35 cents the copy, paper binding, 50 cents the copy cloth binding, by mail. These books will create interest, if read closely, and will inspire to missionary effort. We cannot hope for our people to become interested in missions till they know something about missions. Therefore, every missionary society should be, or should certainly have, a mission study class. Let others follow the lead of our Newport News Virginia Society and send for books of study. We will order and send books desired.

—The presidents of two of the strongest clubs of the National League of base ball players and promoters have declared that baseball organizations must put the ban on the saloon business and that no players who are members of Leagues shall engage in the saloon business during the months when ball is not played.

NORFOLK LETTER.

Rev. W. H. Garman, the new pastor of the Fourth Christian Church (Lambert's Point), began a three-weeks' series of meetings yesterday. The outlook for progress is encouraging. Brother Garman impresses us as a "live wire," an intelligent, spiritual-minded worker.

The association of the Christian ministers of Norfolk has had but irregular meetings lately on account of several of our churches being without pastors. We met today at Portsmouth and shall meet on the first and third Mondays each month. The writer was re-elected President, and Rev. J. W. Harrell was elected secretary-treasurer of the association.

Among many others, the minister of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference are feeling a deep and prayerful interest in Bro. Bryant's welfare. Yesterday Rev. J. M. Roberts preached for him and the following shows the future arangements:

Feb. 25, Rev. N. G. Newman; March 3rd, morning, Mr. J. O. Wiggs; evening, Rev. A. M. Hanson;March 10, evening, Rev. I. W. Johnson; March 17, morning, Rev. J. W. Harrell; evening, Dr. W. W. Staley; March 24, Rev. H. E. Rountree: March 31, Rev. C. C. Jones; April 7, evening, Rev. H. H. Butler; Apr. 14, evening, Rev. H. H. Butler; April 21, Rev. C. H. Rowland.

The rain at night interfered somewhat with attendance at preaching services. The morning attendance at the Third Church was extraordinarily good. A beautiful morning helps explain it. As hoped for, our new graded primary work started out nicely. Instead of tables, the lap-boards (12 x 12 inches) which are being used, serve their purpose well. Dr. J. W. Manning reported yesterday that three hundred dollars ($300) yet remain to be raised in order to pay the full indebtedness due on our church lots, May 1st. A. M. Hanson.

Monday, February 19, 1912.

THE BREADTH OF FAITH.

These professors of religion who call themselves "progressives," are freely accusing conservative Christians of being "narrow" in their beliefs and teachings. This is a false accusation. The fact is, those Christians who cordially accept the whole Bible as the Word of God are much broader in their faith than are those who delight in being called progressive in theology. The latter ones are so narrow in their faith that they refuse to believe all in the Bible which does not accord with their theories of evolution and science, and their own reason. What they disbelieve is greater in bulk and worth than what they believe; and the doctrines which they reject are far greater in importance and spiritual value than are those which they profess to accept. Hence it is that the men who pride themselves on their supposed "broadness," are in fact very narrow in their faith, and therefore in their spiritual vision. True faith is always broad. It receives into its embrace the whole realm of real and pure truth. It eagerly grasps all that is revealed by God. It lays hold of all the truth which God has shrouded with the veil of mystery, and which mere reason cannot understand, we find out. All divine miracle is accepted by the breadth and fullness of sterling faith. It accepts as possible the things which unbelief says are impossible. It boldly appropriates the truth that "all things are possible to him who believes" in God. It has no hesitancy in regarding as true every record in the Bible which relates to the most extraordinary events that ever occurred, even though some of them were never repeated. There was only one universal flood upon earth, yet true faith as readily accepts that fact as it does any ordinary fact. There was only one passage through the Red Sea by a multitude of God's people, yet true faith doubts not the divine record of it. It is a very narrow faith which denies the Bible statements of supernatural events. It is too narrow to entitle the subject of it to the favor of God. A soundly broad faith receives the fullness of God's truth, and thus glorifies Him.

C. H. Wetherbe.

SUCH AS I HAVE

Rev. G. Campbell Morgan tells this story: "Some years ago, a woman came to me at the close of the Sabbath morning service, and said, 'Oh, I would give anything to be in this work actively and actually. I would give anything to have some living part in the work that is going on here next week in winning men and women to Christ, but I do not know what to do.' I said, 'My sister, are you prepared to give the Master the five loaves and two fishes you possess?' She said, 'I do not know that I have five loaves and two fishes.' I said, 'Have you anything that you have used in any way specially?' 'No,' she did not think she had. 'Well,' I said, 'can you sing?' Her reply was, 'Yes, I can sing at home, and I have sung before now in an entertainment.' 'Well, now,' I said, 'let us put our hand on that. Will you give the Lord your voice for the next ten days?' Said she, 'I will.' I shall never forget that Sabbath evening. I asked her to sing, and she sang. She sang the gospel message with the voice she had, feeling that it was a poor, worthless thing, and that night there came out of that meeting into the inquiry room one man. That man said to me afterward that it was the gospel that was sung which reached his heart; and from that day to this—that is now eleven or twelve years ago—that man has been one of the mightiest workers for God in that city and country I have ever known. How was it done? A woman gave the Master what she had."

Are we willing to give the Master what we have? If so, there will be a harvest of glorious surprises in the immediate future. There is not a talentless man or woman in all the world.—Ex.

THE SECRET OF CONFIDENCE.

A long train, with its precious freight of human lives, was starting out from the station of a great city. Steadily and surely the engineer threaded his course amidst the maze of terminal tracks, out into the open country. He went on with confidence, because he knew that the track had been cleared before him. Timetables had been worked out with care and precision. The train dispatcher had so arranged that all other trains should be out of the way. The engineer had but to obey orders, and he would reach his destination in safety.

With equal confidence may we go on in the path of duty. Difficulties and perplexities may surround us, but the God who has commanded us to advance has we may be certain cleared a track for us. Take the case of the brave and resourceful Gideon and his band of three hundred—every one of them a hero. Right across their path was that countless host of the Midianites. But Israel's divine leader had made a way through. They had but to obey him, and their foes were put to rout.

In every command of God there is wrapped up a pledge, in every precept a promise. Whatever He bids us do, He will enable us to accomplish. It matters not how great the obstacles that confront us, once He gives us our battle to fight, our task to perform, we move forward with the confident step of the conqueror.—East and West.

—We learn from The Recorder, Conshohocken, Pa., that Rev. W. H. Garman has accepted a call to the pastorate of our church at Lambert's Point, Va. The Recorder speaks in high terms of the work Bro. Garman has been doing and of much good he has accomplished in the community and among the churches from which he comes. Among other worthy comments The Recorder says:

"Rev. Mr. Garman came to the West Borough about five years ago to accept the pastorate of the Free Baptist Church and his labors in that charge were most successful. During his pastorate at the West Side charge, the church enjoyed an era of prosperity. All incumbrances on the church and ground have been cleared, alterations for the betterment of the building have been made and the membership of both the church and Sunday school have been largely increased.

Since becoming a member of the Pennsylvania Free Baptist State Association Rev. Mr. Garman has labored hard for its success. His services were soon recognized by the other members of the Association and he became one of the leading lights and at the annual conference three years ago he was elected to the presidency and has held the office since that time. He was also one of the ruling spirits in the Ministerial Union of West Conshohocken and when Rev. S. L. Baugher removed to Indiana he was the choice to fill the vacancy as secretary and treasurer.

"As a monument to his religious activities there has been erected at Valley Forge, a commodious church, completed only a short time ago, and of which he has been pastor since its organization."

Our Lambert's Point Church has been without a settled pastor some time and we congratulate the brotherhood on their prospects of progress and prosperity. Pastor Garman will find a warm welcome there.

—The Attorney-General of N. C. has decided that slot machines are gambling devices and operate contrary to law and no further license can be granted to operate them unless the law is changed.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS and CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

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Edited by Charles A. Hines, Greensboro, N. C., editorial secretary of the Young People's General Convention.

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Motto: A Christian Endeavor Society in each Church; Teacher Training and Organized Classes in each Sunday-School.

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The secretary will be glad to give any information as to any of the things the convention stands for and where literature can be obtained. Contributions are invited and every class or society should make frequent reports to the above address.

ORGANIZED CLASS BANQUET.

The culmination of a contest between the "Reds" and "Blues" of Baracas and Philatheas in the First Christian Church of Greensboro was an elaborate banquet given in the basement of the church last Wednesday night. Covers were laid wor 100 and almost every seat was taken. The hall had been attractively decorated for the occasion and presented a most gala appearance when the crowd of young men and young women gathered about the tables. The Junior Philathea class acted as waitresses and filled their roles acceptably. The dinner was served in three courses and consisted of olives, pickles, salad, wafers, cream, cake, coffee and cheese straws, much of which was prepared by the young women of the Sunday school.

Supt. Chas. A. Hines, of the school, was toastmaster. Very short responses to toasts were made by the captains of the several teams, officers, teachers and visitors. Those who spoke were Mrs. Trogdon, Misses Coggins, Dawson, Cain, Alderman, Teague, Byrd, and Messrs. Truitt, Foster, Phillips and Smith. All of the speeches were in good taste and full of spirit and good humor. The occasion being valentine day, speeches, decorations and everything were in keeping with the day.

The Red and Blue contest was inaugurated by the Baracas and Philatheas in January and for four weeks both sides worked hard. At the end of the time the membership of the Philathea class was 71 and the Baracas numbered 44. Other names have since been added and the two classes now have a total enrollment of 120. The day the contest closed the attendance in the school reached its high water mark. Mr. W. B. Truitt is the teacher of the Philathea class and Mr. John R. Foster of the Baraca class.

There are now six organized classes in this Sunday school and all are doing effective work. Recently the Baraca class raised the money to put a new floor in the church basement and divided it into a banquet hall and five class rooms. The other classes are doing definite work and accomplishing much good. If anyone questions the good of organization in Sunday school classes he should ask a member of this school what he thinks of it.

REACHING BY GROUPS.

The membership committee of one class tried with success the following novel plan to awaken an interest in seeking new members. Only, there were but seven in each division, one of these being a live chairman of the division. It was understood, however, that the proper number for a division was ten. The point of the plan was that each group should "hustle" and make up the required number. Each division followed its own methods in securing new members. Large use was made of the class cards, giving name of class, place and time of meeting, with an invitation to the recipient. One group had a small hand-bill made, setting forth some advantages of membership. A boy in one division was the owner of a mimeograph, and this division prepared dozens of circulars and letters on this for use in the campaign. Not one of the tenths failed to complete its quota of members. Two nearly doubled their original number.

After a while came new members' night. This session was held in the class room, the class president presiding. As each division was called upon, its captain responded by reading the names of the new members gained, the latter rising for recognition. And in each instance the recognition of the division was a "yell," given with great gusto. Then an initiation of members was conducted. This was a simple but impressive ceremony that gave old and new members alike a feeling of the importance of belonging to the class. Sociability and refreshments followed. The new members wore ribbon rosette badges, so they could readily be distinguished and made acquainted.

NOTES ON C. E. TOPIC, MARCH 3.

Subject—"The Christian Virtues. III. Patience." 2 Thess. 3: 1-5. (Consecration Meeting).

There are so many virtues becoming in a Christian that it is difficult to single out any one as the greatest, but certainly there is none more important than Patience. Endeavor to understand the word in its broadest meaning. It includes all such words as tolerance, gentleness, humility, forbearance and others of similar import.

Patience will teach thoughtfulness. Some people cannot help being sensitive and these gentle ones are often wounded because we say quick and unkind words to them. Every one is likely to put a more serious construction upon words than is meant by the one who uses them. Let us seek to cultivate that patience that will not allow us to fret and fuss with others.

There is no achievement without patience. No man can be a great inventor, accomplish a great task or develop something new and useful without patience. Masters of any art or science must have a great "capacity for taking pains," which has been said to be one definition of genius. Stephenson spent years in developing the locomotive; Howe and Singer many weary seasons upon the sewing machine, and Edison has won a name of wizard simply because of his patience in keeping everlastingly at it.

The illustration is given of the many unsuccessful attempts that were made by Cyrus Field before he finally laid the Atlantic Cable, but at last his patience was rewarded by success. Today as a result of his untiring energy and dauntless purpose the news of today in every part of the globe may be brought to us in a few hours at the longest.

A great teacher said he never could forget how a boy whom he had rebuked for his dullness in not understanding some lesson looked into his face, and said, "Indeed, sir, I am doing the best I can!" The teacher said it shamed him to think how he had wronged and hurt the boy by his impatient and unworthy outbreak. Jesus never did anything like that. He had infinite patience with the slowest scholar he was trying to teach.

A story is told of a Chinese student who became discouraged because his lessons did not come easily. He threw away his books and gave up study, but one day he came across an old woman rubbing a crow on a stone. He asked her what she was doing. She replied, "I am making a needle." He learned his lesson and patiently took up his work again.

Suggestive Illustrations.

Paul had a right to talk about always giving thanks. We know that he had once sung in prison. He was a prisoner again when he wrote this, and doubtless had cheered himself and others there by his hymns. Some of the hymns that strengthen our faith have that power because of their author's afflictions

Whether we are singing for our own help or to help others, we should be sing-

ing unto God above all. The words of the hymn should be uttered as sincerely as the words of prayer. If they are to be a means of grace, there must be grace in the heart if the singer.

It is good to have the best music that we can get in all our meetings. But it is the melody in the heart rather than that of the lips that is to the Lord. If some singing sounds very crude to trained ears, how must it sound by the side of heaven's choirs? But if it comes from the heart, it is pleasing to the Lord of heaven.

A historian that in many ways had seemed unfair to Whitman said of him that "he was no ordinary man. I do not know which to admire most in him, his coolness or his courage. His nerves were of steel; his patience was excelled only by his fearlessness. In the mighty calm of his nature he was a Caesar for Christ."

Rev. H. G. Spafford's hymn, "It is well with my soul," was composed as the answer of his soul to the dread calamity, the sinking of the steamship Du-Havre, by which his four daughters were drowned. This hymn was heard by a gentleman who had suffered great financial reverses in the panic of 1899, and who was in deepest despondency. He heard the story of the hymn, and said, "If Spafford could write such a beautiful resignation hymn, I will never compain again."—C. E. Quarterly.

Daily Readings.

M. Patience produced, Jas. 1: 1-4.
T. Patient in oppression, Jas. 5: 1-7.
W. The great example, 1 Pet. 2: 19-25.
T. The great need, Heb. 10: 32-39.
F. Waiting for God, Psalms 62: 1-8.
S. Abraham's patience, Heb. 6: 11-20.
Sunday, The Topic,

Treasurer's Report.

Rec'd since last report—

Pleasant Grove C. E.	$5.00
Dr. J. O. Atkinson, bal on pledge	3.00
Total	$8.00

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THE TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE N. C. SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION, ASHEVILLE, APRIL 23-25.

Among the speakers will be Rev. Franklin McElfresh, D. D., Teacher Training Superintendent of the International Sunday School Association.

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The railroads will grant reduced rates. These will be announced later.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Alabama Letter.

For the past two months this writer and family have been under the heavy clouds of affliction. It is rather an unusual occurrence for two members of the same family to be stricken down with disease on the same day, but such was our unhappy experience, for Mrs Lankford and Dwight Hillis were taken the same day, Dec. 16, 1911. Since that time the writer hasn't met a single appointment away from home, Mrs. Lankford's condition rendering it necessary for him to remain constantly with her. The clouds were indeed ominous a portion of the time, but never too dense to obscure the pole star of our hopes. During this season of suffering, suspense, anxiety and waiting, the Good Shepherd has watched us all the while and has kept us by day and by night. And now, that which pained our hearts, burdened our souls and cast a gloom over our lives seems to be rapidly approaching that end for which we have yearned and prayed. Dwight Hillis has almost entirely recovered and Mrs. Lankford is regaining her strength daily. Let all those who have helped us in any way during our afflictions remember that we appreciate your goodness towards us to the full capacity of our hearts.

Uncle Jemes and Aunt Susan Hand who have been spending several weeks with their daughter at Jonesboro, Ga., returned home last Thursday. The former is enjoying his usual good health and was able to be at church the past Sabbath, while the latter is not well at all.

Last Sunday two helpful, uplifting services were held at the Wadley church. The work at this point is in a hopeful condition.

So far this has been an unusually severe winter in Alabama. The severity of the weather and the almost impassable condition of our roads have made it well-nigh impossible to accomplish much real good for the church. But we may look for more effectual work with the coming of spring. May the Lord of hosts lead us out into larger service in winning the lost for His kingdom.

G. O. Lankford.

Wadley, Ala., Feb. 14, 1912.

WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

Members of the Board for Woman's Missionary Societies of the Southern Christian Convention.

Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Franklin, Va., Chmn.
Mrs. L. F. Johnson, Raleigh, N. C.
Miss Bettie Stephenson, McCullers, N. C.
Mrs. H. W. Elder, Richland, Ga.
Mrs. J. O. Atkinson, Elon College, N. C.
Mrs. W. H. Carroll, Burlington, N. C.

This Department is edited by Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Franklin, Va., to whom all items of missionary interest and matter for the Department should be sent.

Because of the resignation of Mrs. McD. Howsare, who has moved from among us, I have been asked to take her place on the Woman's Board of Home and Foreign Missions, appointed by the Southern Convention at its last session; and now because of my position on this Board I bave been called upon to direct this Department which has been accorded us. I hesitate before so great a task and feel my incapacity for the work, but I have the promise of The Sun's Editor to help out and I believe the members of the Convention Board and of the several Conference Boards and the good women of our churches are going to support and uphold the work. Several of our Conferences at their last session appointed the Woman's Board of Home and Foreign Missions asked for in the resolution adopted by the Southern Convention. These Boards have all met and adopted a constitution, organized themselves, and mapped out their plan of work. And now it seems that this matter of having a distinctc and uniform missionary organization among our women bids fair to be a reality. We hope that throughout all of our Conferences our women are much exercised over this work and that many societies are being organized. The needs are so many, and the time is so short that we must not wait longer. We have a place and a part in the evangelization of the world and to this divinely appointed task we should give ourselves with all zeal.

The form of Constitution adopted by several Conference Boards is as follows:

ARTICLE I.

Name. This organization shall be known as the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Board of the ——— Christian Conference, and shall be auxiliary to the Woman's Missionary Board of the Southern Christian Convention.

ARTICLE II.

Obect.. Its object shall be to organize a Woman's Home and Foreign Missionayr Society and a Mission Study Class in every local church, and to increase the interest in missions among the churches of this Conference.

ARTICLE III.

Membership The membership of this Board shall be composed of three women, members of the Christian Church, appointed annually by the president of the Conference.

ARTICLE IV.

Officers and Duty of Officers The officers of this Board shall consist of a President, Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall hold office for a term of one year, or until their successors are appointed.

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside over all meetings of the Board, to perform such tasks as usually pertain to this office and to promote the work of the Board in every way possible.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to call the meeting together in the absence of the President, record all proceedings of the Board, have charge of the correspondence of the Board, secure and keep on hand for distribution literature, constitntions and by-laws for local Societies, and other literature promotive of missionary work, and make out for the Annual Conference a report of the work accomplished during the year, number of Societies organized, money raised, etc.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasnrer to collect and receive funds for the Board, keep an accurate account thereof, and pay out same on order of this Board. The funds shall be divided as follows: 40 percent., Home Missions, 40 per cent. Foreign Missions, and 20 per cent. for maintenance, clerical and publicity and other purposes.

ARTICLE V.

Meetings.. This Board shall meet in regular session semi-annnally, the first meeting to be held at the call of the President within 30 days from the adjournment of the Annual Conference (or as near thereto as practicable), to organize and plan work for the year, and the second meeting to be held just before or at the same time and place with the Conference, to make orders for the disbursement of funds, report on work done, and transact such business as may be needful.

ARTICLE VI.

Amendment. This Constitution may be altered or amended only by a majority vote at a regular meeting of the Woman's Board for Home and Foreign Missions for the Southern Christian Convention.

(Adopted by Woman's Missionary Boards of Conferences in Southern Christian Convention. For free distribution, write The Christian Sun, Elon College, N. C., for this and other helps in organizing Societies and for Missionary literature.)

ELON COLLEGE NOTES.

Rev. W. G. Clements, of Morrisville, N. C., filled the college pulpit on last Sunday. Brother Clements is now laboring for a church at Chapel Hill, N. C. and spoke in the interest of this work during the service. A contribution wwas taken amountiug to about $60, which showed that the people here were heartily and liberally in sympathy with this undertaking.

The Expression Department on next Saturday evening will give the comedy "The Freshman" in the College Auditorium. This attraction was scheduled for a week ago, but was unavoidbly delayed until the 24th of this month. The proceeds of saem will be used by the Athletic Association and the Gymnasium conjoinytly.

Prof. R. A. Campbell, Adjunct Professor of Latin in the College, spent most of the past week attending the Men and Religion Forward Movement at Charleston, S. C. Prof. Campbell reports a glorious time and on Saturday evening last outlined the work that was suggested and done at this convention before the Y. M. C. A. from which organization he was a delegate.

Mr. J. A. Dickey, Jr., a member of the Senior Class was called home last week to the bedside of his father who is seriously ill.

A letter to the office from the President of Palmer College in Iowa refers to Rev. Edward French, a graduate of the College, and for some time an active minister in the conferences of Va. and N. C. in a very complimentary manner. Mr. French is dean of Palmer College and is making good also as a teacher.

Mrs. J. O. Atkinson has been in Raleigh for the past week under the treatment of a specialist, Dr. Z. M. Caveness, and at this writing is reported to be doing well.

Former President Moffitt spent Friday night with Dr. Atkinson, leaving early Saturday morning on a business trip. We were glad to have Dr. Moffit with us and hope he will visit us again in the near future.

The Junior senior reception will occur on Wednesdayevening at West Dormitory, the hours being from eight to ten. This is the annual reception to the Senior Class by the Junior Class and is looked forward to with much pleasure by both of these classes. A

program of entertainment has been arranged, and the fitting climax to the affair will be the banquet in the Dining Hall.

A. L. L.

OUR TEACHER TRAINING.

You saw from last week's Sun the present plan of Teacher Training in our Sunday Schools. Now what about the enrollment? Are there any classes now in progress? If so, I ask the teachers to report the same to me, or have it done through his proper officer at once. At present there are only two students enrolled; Miss Winnie Durant, Elon College, and Mr. H. S. Smith, of McLeansville. Each of these hold an International Certificate on the First section of the ADVANCED STANDARD course, and expect at some ftuure time, as soon as practicable, to finish the work and apply for the ADVANCED STANDARD Diploma; and their former efficiency warrants their future success.

A list of reports handed me by Prof. Smith former chairman of the committee, shows that there was a teacher Training class at each of the following schools:

New Lebanon, N. C., LaGrange, N. C., Hines Chapel, N. C. Parks Cross Roads, N. C. Happy Home, N. C. Shallow Ford, N. C. Beaulah, Ga., North Highland, Ga., Wakefield, Va., Bethlehem, Va., Holland, Va. Franklin Va.

There must have been some very earnest work and workers engaged in this most important division of our work, and surely there must be some of it now. I trust I may be able to furnish at an early date some interesting information concerning these classes.

Yours very truly,
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Collahan-Simpson.

On the fourteenth, at the home of the bride's father, P. H. Simpson, Esq., of Rockingham County, N. C., Mr. J. W. Collahan, of Red Springs, N. C., led Miss Annie Joe Simpson to the marriage altar where they took upon themselves the solemn marriage covenant. This celebration took place in the presence of the family, a few neighbors, Miss Evans, of Fayetteville, Miss Myrtle Smith of Pilot Mountain, Miss Nellie Collahan and Mr. G. B. McCallum, both of Red Springs.

The marriage took place at 9:10 a. m. and immediately after the ceremony they went to Stokesdale where they boarded the train for Agusta and other places in the South.

Many good wishes for their future. The writer officiated. P. T. Klapp.

Feb. 15, 1912.

Harris-Williams.

A quiet marriage was solemnized Tuesday afternoon at the Christian Church here when Miss Elizabeth, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Williams, became the bride of Mr. Willie W. Harris. Only relatives and immediate friends of the contracting parties were present.

The bride is a very popular and attractive young woman. The groom is a very prominent young farmer, the son of the late Walter W. Harris.

They left on the N. & W. for a ten day's trip, after which they will reside on Mr. Harris' farm near Waverly.

This is the third daughter from this family to marry within the last twelve months. Miss Mina, in July, became the bride of Mr. Green, of Norfolk. Miss Violet, later in the summer, wedded Mr. Andrews, of Wakefield and now Miss "Betty" becomes the bride of Mr. Harris. We congratulate these young people and wish them a long, prosperous and happy life. H. E. Rountree, Pastor.

WE SIMPLY KNOW.

There is much about Jesus Christ that we do not understand, and concerning which we offer no explanation. How it was possible for Him who was very God to assume our flesh, and therein embody a consciousness that was perfectly human and at the same time divine, we are utterly unable to say. The question leads to the realm of faith, where we rise to the summit of divine fellowship, and there obtain the witness of the Spirit and cry, "Father!" By that witness we know that Jesus is the Son of God, and that we in Him partake of His life. We simply know His love and are changed into His image. With a glad and grateful heart we say, My Lord and my God! That is all, but it is enough.—Ex.

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Elon College, N. C., Feb. 14, 1912.

My Dear Children and Friends:

We still have heavy winter weather—snow and sleet and hard frozen ground. Our farm work is at a standstill—except getting wood for fires and oak leaves and pine straw for hog and cow bedding. We are hoping ere long to have sunshine and warm weather so as to begin farm work. We are planning for quite a crop this year and hope that we may have favorable seasons.

The following children were released and will leave Feb. 16th to go to live with their grandmother, Mrs. B. S. Brown, near Belews Creek, N. C.: William B., Bedford S., Carrie H., and Lizzie Brown.

Mary Webster, of News Ferry, Va., was received at the Orphanage Monday, Feb. 12th. We are expecting seven others, but there seems to be an unnecessary delay somewhere.

We herewith submit our Annual Farm Report for 1911. It's not as liberal in some crops as we planted for, but the dry weather cut us off largely. The prices estimated are such as are paid on our local markets.

The following donations have been received:

Zeb Waller, Burlington, N. C., one box chocolate candy.

J. Willie Crabtree, Chapel Hill, N. C., one bushel corn.

Ed. Smith, Clayton, N. C., (Amelia Church), 5 bush. cotton seed.

Arthur Smith, Clayton, N. C., (Amelia Church), 3 bushels corn.

From Sidney Ind., one bed quilt, 4 pair gloves, one necktie, (No name given).

J. B. Watson, Jonesboro, N. C., one lot Scuppernong vines.

We are sending out quite a number of letters asking that individuals join in making 20 friends who will pay off the $10.000 mortgage on the Orphanage. This plan was suggested by a Virginia friend who takes the 20th place. Would you like to be one? Then write me at once.

We are very grateful for the nice donations and liberal cash at it comes in. Our daily family expenses are larger now than at any previous time. Keep our Corner well filled.

Yours for service,
Uncle Jim.

Annual Farm Report, Christian Orphanage, 1911.

Sale of 13 pigs at $3.50 ..... $45.50
198 bushels wheat at $1.00 .... 198.00
132 bushels oats at 60c 79.20
60 dozen eats at 30c 18.00
6 tons clover and wheat at $15 .. 90.00
10 tons peavine hay at $17.50 ..175.00
12 bushels Irish potatoes at 80c ..9.60
359 bushels sweet potatoes at 50c 175.00
6 tons meadow and field hay at $8 48.00
1780 lbs. cotton at 9 and 1-4 ..165.48
50 bbls. corn at $4 ..... 200.00
1000 lbs. blade fodder at $25 .... 12.50
46 bushels peas at $2.25 ..... 103.50
Sale of 3 pigs at $3.50 ..... 10.50
1050 lbs. beef at 8c 84.00
4 young milch cows @ $25 .... 100.00
1 young horse 175.00
12 tons corn stover at $8 ..... 96.00
40 gallons molasses at 40c 19.60
25 tons silo feed-corn, peavines sugar beans and sugar cane .. 225.00
100 bushels cotton seed at 30c .. 30.00
By cattle 15.00
4200 lbs. pork meat at 10c 420.00
2260 gal. milk at 25c 565.00
750 lbs. butter at 25c 187.50
Total $3,247.38

Sanford, N. C., Feb. 12, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

I will write my letter for February. I am well enough to go to school. I had to stay at home to-day because the snow was so deep. The snow was twelve inches deep. I have had my hair shingled; you know I look fine. I think we will have a new member when she gets large enough to write: my sister's little girl, Wilmer Clyde Hunt. We have lots of little chicks. I enclose 10 cents for the band. Your loving niece,

Annie Pearl Way.

Will be glad to welcome the little new girl, Annie Pearl, any time. This year we would be so happy to have a great many new members.

Kite, Georgia, Feb. 8, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

Guess you will let us help the orphans some, won't you, even if we are little and away off down here in Georgia. I am about three and a half years old and Willard is one and a half.

Cousin Hiliard Elder (Rev. H. W. Elder) is building a Christian church here and hopes to get it finished some time early this spring. There are several of the other kind of Christian churches in this part of Georgia, but not many people here know anything about our denomination. Wish you or Dr. Atkinson could come down to see us when the new church is finished. Won't you come the next time to visit Georgia and Alabama?

Your nephews,
Ovid Stephenson,
Millard Stephenson.

So glad to welcome you little southern children. And my! how I would like to visit you when your church is dedicated.

DIED.

Hughes.

Maggie Hughes, wife of D. R. Hughes, departed this life February 13, 1912, at the age of forty one years. She was the mother of eight children, one of whom preceded her to the great beyond. Sister Hughes united with the Christian Church at Apples' Chapel in early life. She was sick for about ten days before she died, pneumonia being the cause of her death.

The funeral services were conducted from her home church by her pastor, the writer, February 14, 1912, in the presence of a goodly number of sympathizing friends.

She leaves a husband, seven small children, several brothers and sisters, and an aged father, who mourn their loss.

We extend a pastor's sympathy.

L. I. Cox.

Sharpe.

Sarah E. Sharpe, wife of Deacon F. F. Sharpe, was born May 27, 1852, and died February 9, 1912, aged forty-nine years, eight months, and twelve days. She was married December 22, 1881, and to the happy union were born ten children—six boys and four girls—five of whom preceded mother to the spirit land, the youngest being only 14 days of age, and the oldest 18 months old when they died.

Sister Sharpe professed faith in Christ when about fifteen years of age, and connected herself with the Christian Church at Mt. Bethel. On July 11, 1897, she became a charter members of New Lebanon Christian church, remaining a consecrated and faithful worker in church till the time of her death. She was a great sufferer for two months or more before her death with catarrh of the stomach and heart trouble, but bore these severe afflictions as a brave soldier of the Cross, and when the end drew near at hand, she was calm and perfectly resigned.and talked much of the separation from her family and of the departure, remarking that she loved her husband and children and would love to still remain with them, but she loved Jesus more, and was willing to obey His call to go home. The last words that she was heard to utter were "Blessed Lord, carry me home." Then there was a peaceful calm in the room, and those present felt the presence of the Lord, and the angels bore wife, mother home.

She was a devoted wife, a tender and loving mother, a fond grand-mother, a kind and thoughtful neighbor, a true, consecrated Christian.

The funeral services were conducted by her pastor, the writer, at New Lebanon Church, Rockingham County, N. C., February 10th, 1912, in the presence of a house well filled with sympathizing relatives and friends. Bro. J. W. Knight of Mt. Bethel church was also present and took part in the services.

A good woman has been taken. She will be greatly missed, not only in the home, but in the church and community.

She leaves a husband, two sons, three daughters, two grand-children, six brothers, three sisters, and an aged father, with many friends who mourn her departure. But we all feel that our loss is her eternal gain. May those left behind live in readiness to meet her in heaven. Her body now is sleeping in the church cemetery at New Lebanon, but her spirit has returned to God who gave it. Peace be to her ashes.

L. I. Cox.

Burgess.

Elmo Lawrence, son of brother and sister E. L. Burgess, after two weeks illness passed to the other side. He was a fine looking little fellow and the future seemed bright for him. He was only seven weeks old, but during this time the innocent character of the child attracted all who knew him. On February 2, 1912 the little body was buried in the Burgess Cemetery near Dendron, Va. The writer conducted the service. May our heavenly Father comfort and bless the bereaved parents. C. C. Jones.

Murphy.

Mrs. E. A. Murphy, of the neighborhood of Burton's Grove, died Feb. 8, 1912. Sister Murphy, had lived seventy-six years. She was an active woman, a true Christian, and a lovable character. She had been connected with the Christian Church for forty-five years. She was living with her daughter, Mrs. Richard Burton, at the time of her death. She was sick but a short time with pneumonia. The funeral services were conducted from Burton's Grove Church, the writer officiating. She leaves to mourn their loss two children, four brothers, one sister and a host of friends. A good woman, a kind neighbor, a loyal Christian, and helpful character has gone, but her life will live with us. Her body was laid to rest in the Burton Cemetery. May God bless the bereaved ones.

C. C. Jones.

Collier.

Mr. John Collier, a highly respected gentleman and a broad-minded Christian man who lived near Carsley, Va., and was a member of the M. E. Church of that place, was stricken with paralysis Friday night, Feb. 9, and in four hours was speechless. He passed to his spiritual home Sunday night and was laid to rest Tuesday, February 13, 1912, in the home cemetery. He leaves fifteen living children and his second wife. Brother Collier was a fine man, a good neighbor, and a loyal Christion. We shall miss him in society and in church. The funeral was conducted by his pastor, Rev. Mr. Williams, of Waverly, Va., Rev. Mr. Babcock, of Dendron M. E. Church, assisted by the writer. C. C. Jones.

Pickering.

Whereas, it has pleased almighty God to call suddenly from this life on the 10th of February, 1912, John W. Pickering, of Dayton, Ohio, while yet in the vigor and strength of manhood, and, whereas, the deceased was a native of Rockingham County, Virginia, and a member of Bethlehem Christian Church, at Tenth Legion, Virginia;

Therefore, Resolved: That Bethlehem Church hereby expresses her sympathy and feeling of loss on account of the death of John W. Pickering, who was one of her members.

Resolvel, further: That the sympathy and condolence of the membership of Bethlehem Christian Church are hereby extended to the bereaved wife of the deceased, as well as to the aged father and the brothers and sisters whose hearts are burdened and whose lives are saddened by this dispensation of Providence.

Mrs. Barbara Driver,
S. W. Lincoln, Com.

Graham.

Near Haw River, N. C., February 3rd, 1912, in the 21st year of his age, Robert Carl Graham, son of Jas. H. and Georgia Graham. He was a member of Haw River Christian Church and died after a brief illness. Funeral and burial services at Long's Chapel by the writer.

J. W. Holt.

Garrison.

With sorrow I record the death of John A. Carrison, son of Robert Garrison, near Mt Cray, N. C., whose death has saddened the hearts of many relatives and friends in the community. At the time of his death, Bro. Carrison was 42 years, 9 months and 28 days of age. Both parents, two brothers and two sisters are left in the sorrows of bereavement. In early life he joined Union Christian Church. The funeral services at the home were attended by a large number of friends and neighbors and a good citizen is thus taken from the community. Burial services at Long's Chapel. May God comfort the bereaved relatives and friends.

J. W. Holt.

—The United States Government indicted and arrested last Wednesday about 30 men alleged to be co-conspirators with the McNamaras in blowing up open shops in this country covering a period of several years. It took into custody nearly every officer of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers. Heavy bond was required of each before release. The case is attracting nation-wide attention because of its desperate and deadly transactions.

—Mr. Clarence Poe, editor of The Progressive Farmer, is to be married May 29th to Miss Alice Aycock, daughter of ex-Governor Aycock, according to recent announcement.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Roanoke, Alabama Letter.

Dear Brother Editor:

Our District Meeting of district number 2 was frozen out, but the church at Rockstand wants it to convene there on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in April.

We will soon have our house ceiled and we want to dedicate it on the fourth Sunday in April. So if there is no objection to this you may look for a program for the same about the first of April.

Forest Home.

We were snowed out at Forest Home the first Sunday in January, but we held a very delightful service on Saturday. We failed to have any service on Sunday on account of the very cold weather. I want to thank the good people of Forest Home for the way in which they remembered their unworthy pastor and his family. Sister Barfield and Brother Auldman, who is always faithful, came with their gifts of money. Sister Auldman also came with a nice piece of dress cloth, and Brother and Sister T. J. Smith came with a nice ham, a jug of molasses and a nice present for Mrs. Dollar. We are certainly thankful to these good people for these good things are just such things as a preacher and his family need.

Corinth.

We failed to get to Corinth at our last appointment, but my father, Rev. C. M. Dollar, went for us and he reports a good service. We held two good services at Rockstand the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in January.

We are looking for a good year. Brethren, pray for us. J. D. Dollar.

CHRISTIANITY.

As I begin to contemplate the subject, Christianity, I find myself unequal to the task of doing justice to such a wonderful theme. The brightest minds, the most cultivated intellects, have been baffled in trying to comprehend its height, depth and breadth, its great immeasurable magnitude.

Yet in a simple way, with what knowledge I can command I will endeavor to consider it from three particular standpoints.

First, It Origin.

Second, What it is.

Third, Its Mission.

As we become acquainted with, or informed about, any thing that pertains to our well being in life, it is natural that we want to learn from whence such blessings come, or whence such joys flow. Therefore, let us consider first, The Origin of the greatest boon to mankind. We are persuaded it was conceived in the mind of God, at the fall of man in the Garden of Eden. When Adam and Eve had disobeyed and were awakened to the gloomy truth that they had displeased their Creator and had plunged into the depths of sorrow, disgrace, and shame; then we see God looking in great pity upon them in their fallen estate. Now by the eye of faith and belief we see God in earnest converse with His Son by Whom he made the worlds and created them, planning that in the ages to come He, the Son, must become incarnate, live in the flesh, suffer and die that man might be redeemed. So immediately God makes this promise unto man, that "the seed of the woman should bruise the serpent's head," and millions today are living and rejoicing under that promise. that promise.

Second, What is Christianity? We do not propose to dwell upon this point, but we simply reply in the language of Webster, that, "It is the religion of Christians, or the system of doctrines and precepts taught by Christ and recorded by the evangelists and apostles."

Third, and last, Its Mission. This can be explained in a very few words. for we know that Jesus who came to this earth, came for man's redemption, thereby introducing Christianity into the world. Therefore, its mission is to save. But in order to be saved one must conform to the doctrines and precepts recorded in God's Word. If we do this we shall abide in His love and He will love us, and will manifest himself unto us. It is this relationship existing between us and our Savior that reveals to us the blessedness of Christianity. There is no factor that the mind can conceive of for the advancement of civilizatioin and the betterment of the human family as great as Christianity. The fine arts, literature and science have done much to enlighten man and bring happiness to his heart, his life and his home, but these all have their limitations. Not so with Christianity. There is no limit to the peace, joy, happiness and rest along the avenues of life that are encircled by this ever welcome agent. Christianity is th motor power the dynamo to all intellectual inprovement, it is the crowning gem, the finishing touch to all other factors leading up to man's higher estate. It brings joy out of sorrow, sweetness out of bitterness, rest out of weariness. It reaches down into the slums of wickedness amid the dregs of sorrow, shame and disgrace, where darkness and despair reign with terror, where man is helpless, hopeless and lost, and seeks to save such. It brings in the light, disperses the darkness, drives away terror and despair, frees from sorrow and distress, makes joyful the heart, enlightens the mind, gladdens the soul and purifies the life. It has entered homes amid confusion and strife, where mother has been false to motherhood and father untrue to fatherhood and children reckless and wild, and brought a balm that has healed the calamities of such homes and ever after there is sweetness, quietness, rest, everlasting peace, because of Christianity's presence and power. It accompanies man along life's pathway, protecting him from the snares and wiles of the evil one. It lightens his burdens and lessens his cares, it inspires his heart and enthuses his life to grander, nobler, purposes until he is led to press on unto the goal that awaits its possession It will be a great stimulus in the hour of death, as we pass through that dark valley and shadow, it will be our rod and staff to comfort us. It will be our passport through the pearly gate into the city of our God. In its beauty and loveliness it will give us a happy admittance into the presence of the saints and all of the redeemel, a joyful everlasting welcome by the Father, Son and Holy Ghost into that land of rest forever and ever. M. W. Hollowell.

Deep Creek, Va.

TAKE A LOOK AT YOUR FACE.

Why do you wear a harassed and troubled look? Are you really in trouble, or are you allowing the little worries of life to grind furrows in your face? Take a look at yourself in the mirror, and reform—that is, reshape your face into the lines of comfort and good cheer which it ought to wear. Take an honest inventory of your troubles and decide whether or not they are really worth advertising in your countenance. It may seem a little thing to you whether or not you wear a smiling face, but it is not a little thing. A serene look advises the tired and troubled men and women whom you meet that there is peace and joy in at least one heart. And there may be among them some one who has begun to doubt whether peace or joy exists at all. "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine."—Selected.

—For the sake of doing good strive to make friends and to keep them.

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But you say, What is proper heating and ventilating? Proper heating ventilating is supplying from 1,500 to 3,000 cubic feet of fresh air at a temperature of 70 degrees to each person every hour. In addition to this, the air should contain considerable moisture. Air that is so dry that it will shrink and draw furniture apart and kill flowers and plants in a room is at least unfit for human use.

In the average house using a fire-place or stove for heating it is difficult to properly heat or ventilate the house in cold weather, but even then much can be done to improve conditions.

In the first place, get the thermometer habit. Keep an easily read thermometer in the living room and the work room. Hang it in a place where it can be readily seen and a place having the average temperature of the room. Next, keep this thermometer standing at as nearly 70 degrees as possible.

In ventilating don't be afraid of fresh air. Warm it up if possible, but have it in the room at all times regardless of its incoming temperature. Fireplaces are now so constructed that fresh air is admitted from below the floor and passes up behind and at the sides of the grate, where it is heated and then allowed to enter the room above the fireplace. Or this heated air may also be allowed to enter an adjoining room or into one or more rooms above. If stoves are used, by all means have them surrounded, at least part way, with some kind of japanned or galvanized iron shield; this shield should extend to the floor. Fresh air should be admitted through an opening in the floor beneath the stove, so that it may become heated by passing up between the stove and the shield.

While these are probably the best means of warming the air that comes into a room, a small amount of fresh air may be admitted by raising the lower sash of the window about two inches and placing a strip in the opening below the sash. This will permit a small quantity of air to enter near the middle of the window between the two sashes and will give it an upward motion as it enters the room, thus preventing "cold drafts." Better ventilation may be secured by raising the lower sash several inches and placing a shield opposite this opening to deflect the incoming current of air.

Another excellent practical means of ventilating is by thoroughly "airing" the living rooms not less than three or four times a day. This is done by simply opening the wondows and doors for a minute or two and allowing fresh air to flood the room. The feeling of exhileration following these "airings" is well worth the trouble. Try it once. Fresh air is cheap and no trust controls it. Let us have our share of it.—N. C. Board of Health.

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—A children's missionary society has been organized at Wakefield, Va., Rev. C. C. Jones, pastor, with seventeen active members. The Society is contributing to the Orphanage and to the Ponce, P. R., church fund. Children cannot be impressed too early with the importance of contributing to missions and to charity.